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## MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Benjamin Evans 1430/  
Executive Secretary  
Central Intelligence AgencySUBJECT: Background Papers for the President's  
Trip to Japan and South Korea

We would appreciate CIA's preparing and forwarding no later than November 4, 1974, background papers on the topics listed below for the President's upcoming visits to Japan and South Korea. The papers should be limited, wherever possible, to 3-4 pages, and should make liberal use of graphics. We recognize that many of the topics have been covered in a number of excellent analyses the Agency has done recently. Most of these papers, however, are too long for the President's use on this trip, and some should be updated.

Japan

## 1) Energy

--How Japan is handling its trade deficit resulting from the oil price increase

--Japan's energy conservation program

--Japan's posture on international energy cooperation

--Japan's cooperation on energy research and development, particularly as regards nuclear power

--A graph showing Japan's current degree of dependence both in terms of the type and overseas source of energy

## 2) Japan's interest in Siberian resources

3) Japan's international economic relations (This would update as necessary the Agency's paper, "Japan's Economic Policies at Home and Abroad.")

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--A brief review of Japan's position on trade liberalization over the past decade, and its current position on the multilateral trade negotiations

--Japan's overall trade balance, and the U.S. -Japan bilateral trade balance

--Japan's position on international monetary reform

- 4) Japan's normalization of relations with the PRC and the Soviets
- 5) Japan's position on non-proliferation
- 6) The present status of the U.S.-Japan relationship, and the outlook for the near- and mid-term. (The Agency's study, "Japan in the 70s -- and On Into the 80s, "takes care of the long-term outlook.)
- 7) The Tanaka Government's domestic political prospects

Korea

- 1) Prospects for stability on the Korean Peninsula
  - Military balance between the two Koreas
  - North-South talks
  - Four-power involvement in the Peninsula
  - Relative diplomatic stand of the two Koreas
  - North Korea's internal situation
- 2) The Park Government's domestic political prospects (updating the Agency's study, "South Korea: The Outlook for the Park Government")
- 3) South Korea's economic prospects
- 4) Seoul's relations with Tokyo
- 5) The U.S. relationship with South Korea

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